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Hawkman & Adam Strange To Star In Three Issue Showcase Tryout!

Hawkman swoops into a star-studded, action-packed SHOWCASE run this month--topped off with a dynamic Joe Kubert cover!

Fan favorite Adam Strange guest-stars in this long-awaited tryout conceived and scripted by Jack C. Harris, edited by Larry Hama, pencilled by Al Milgrom, and inked by another distinguished Hawkman artist, Murphy Anderson.

The story revolves around an invasion of the planet Rann by the combined forces of some of the most memorable and deadly villains that Hawkman and Adam Strange battled in their earlier series. Adam enlists the aid of Hawkman and Hawkgirl and the three heroes set out to prevent a war in space. On board Hawkman's space cruiser they become the victims of sabotage and must solve the "Mystery In Space" or hurtle through hyper-space forever!

Villains in this epic include the Shadow-Thief, the Man-Hawks, Hyanthis, and the ever-menacing Kanjar Ro!

SHOWCASE #101 goes on sale March 16.

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300th Batman Sports Giordano Art!

DC commemorates the 300th issue of BATMAN this month with a cover and rare pencils and inks by Dick Giordano on "The Last Batman Story--?" This double-length adventure is set in a possible future in which Batman decides to retire after one final case with an adult Robin.

In this tale, Richard Grayson has married and become the father of twins. Bruce Wayne has handed the presidency of Wayne International to his ward, and Commissioner Gordon has retired to write his memoirs.

BATMAN #300 also offers a glimpse of future technological wonders such as a hospital in outer space, two-way TVs that have replaced telephones, and a machine that prints out newspapers in the home.

This special 48-page/60¢ anniversary issue of BATMAN was written by David V. Reed.

BATMAN #300 goes on sale March 7th.

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Secrets of Haunted House Special Features Five Fright Fantasies!

This month's SECRETS OF HAUNTED HOUSE SPECIAL serves up a smorgasbord of five all-new frightening fantasy feasts. The fearsome 48-page 60¢ special starts off with a cover by none other than Jim Starlin!

Jack Oleck and Tom Sutton whet your appetite with a startling story of savage cavemen who kill to prevent human 'progress' and the advance of civilization--and with good reason!

Bob Toomey and Vicente Alcazar cook up a deliciously wicked story involving stranded newlyweds and the mysterious people who come to their aid.

In addition, Arnold Drake and Bill Draut test your terror tastebuds with a chilling story of a paid assassin who has an appetite for gourmet food; Drake and the art team of Tenny Henson and Ruben Yandoc serve up "Uncle Dan's Demon"; and Robert M. Ingersoll and Danny Bulanadi present dessert with a tale of "Ghost Writers."

DC's SECRETS OF HAUNTED HOUSE SPECIAL goes on sale March 30th.

Superman, Batman, and Haunted Tank Star in Latest DC Dollar Comics!

DC's popular Dollar Comics line continues this month with WORLD'S FINEST #251, G.I. COMBAT #208, and the second 80-page edition of BATMAN FAMILY (#18).

Batman must win a deadly race against time in a flooding sewer to rescue a beautiful woman held captive by the gruesome gargoyle gang in the lead story of BATMAN FAMILY #18. "Gargoyle In the Sewers" was scripted by Denny O'Neil and pencilled by Mike Golden.

Also in that issue: a Robin story by Bob Rozakis, Juan Ortiz, and Dave Hunt; Man-Bat by Rozakis and Danny Bulanadi; The Huntress by Paul Levitz, Joe Staton and Bob Layton, and a Batgirl story by Rozakis and Ortiz.

In WORLD'S FINEST #251, Superman and Batman battle a loathsome creature from the

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SUPERMAN CELEBRATES 40th ANNIVERSARY!

DC Comics Publisher Jenette Kahn today announced the publication of the 40th Anniversary Issue of ACTION COMICS, the comic book which introduced the characters of Superman and Lois Lane in its first issue, cover-dated June 1938.

This special issue will feature the long-awaited marriage of Superman to reporter Lois Lane. "Superman Takes A Wife" will appear in ACTION COMICS #484, on sale March 28, 1978.

The creation of two Cleveland high school students, Jerome Siegel and Joseph Shuster, Superman became the prototypical super hero and has remained the single most popular comic book hero in the world.

For this issue, five pages of advertising were cleared from the book to make room for the extra-length 22-page story.

Veteran Superman artist Curt Swan pencilled and Joe Giella inked the Cary Bates script. Julius Schwartz edited the book.

The events of this issue will be followed by a new series of adventures focusing on the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Superman beginning in SUPERMAN #327.

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SUPERMAN VS. MUHAMMAD ALI SCHEDULED!

SUPERMAN VS. MUHAMMAD ALI, the long-awaited comic book event, will be on the newsstands January 31, 1978.

Over fifteen months in the making, SUPERMAN VS. MUHAMMAD ALI is a 73-page story with a wraparound cover featuring 172 celebrities. The publication will be printed tabloid-sized (10 inches by 13 inches), and will be published on stock that is whiter and heavier than that generally used on tabloid comic books. It will carry a $2.50 cover price.

SUPERMAN VS. MUHAMMAD ALI was scripted and pencilled by popular artist Neal Adams from a story by Dennis O'Neil. Dick Giordano and Terry Austin inked Adams' pencils, and SUPERMAN editor Julius Schwartz continued his duties on this epic thriller.

Beginning to ship to wholesalers January 10th, the SUPERMAN VS. MUHAMMAD ALI tabloid has already broken all records for advance orders of a comic book in this format.

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Fortress of Solitude directed by the brain of one of Batman's oldest and deadliest foes in a story by Bob Haney, George Tuska and Vince Colletta. Also: Green Arrow and Speedy in "No Home for the Hero" by Gerry Conway and a new artist making his DC debut, Jerry Bingham; Black Canary in "The Vertigo Version" by Conway, Trevor von Eeden and Colletta; Wonder Woman battling Poison Ivy (this story also reveals Ivy's secret origin) by Conway, Ric Estrada and Jack Abel; and the Creeper battling the Disruptor in an all-Steve Ditko masterpiece!

It's battle action all the way with Jeb Stuart and the Haunted Tank in one of their most unusual adventures, "Sink That Tank," by Robert Kanigher and Sam Glanzman in G.I. COMBAT #208. Also: a World War II air war story "Ace Minus 1" by Evan Douglas and Jerry Grandenetti; a second Haunted Tank tale, "Battle by the Book," by Kanigher and Glanzman; a Women at War story "Star Bright, Star Fight," by Jan Laurie and Maurice Whitman; an OSS thriller, "7 Layer Booby Trap," by Douglas and E.R. Cruz; and a third Haunted Tank story by Kanigher and Glanzman.

BATMAN FAMILY #18 and G.I. COMBAT #208 go on sale March 16. WORLD'S FINEST #251 goes on sale March 23rd.

Odd Items, Noteworthy News

A shady Pinkerton detective blackmails JONAH HEX into tracking down "The Railroad Blaster" in a gripping story scripted by David Michelinie and drawn by Vicente Alcazar in JONAH HEX #13. Cover by Rich Buckler and Dick Giordano...MR. MIRACLE renounces his New Gods birthright in the second landmark issue scripted by Steve Gerber. Veteran Russ Heath inked talented newcomer Mike Golden's pencils for MR. MIRACLE #24...A new moon suddenly appears in the sky with gravitational effects that cause disasters on Earth. The JUSTICE LEAGUE has to prevent planetary disruption "Under the Moons of Earth." Story by Gerry Conway, art by Dick Dillin and Frank McLaughlin in JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #155.

The malfunctioning M-Vest traps SHADE as Dr. Z.Z. captures Meta's Earth base. Also: the origin of the M-Vest in another offbeat story by Steve Ditko and Michael Fleisher in SHADE THE CHANGING MAN #7...A girl from Professor Stein's past is transformed into Killer Frost, the Ice Maiden who seeks revenge on the Nuclear Man in FIRESTORM #3 by Gerry Conway, Al Milgrom and Bob McLeod...It's Superman vs. Titano the Super-Ape in "Beware the Eyes That Paralyze" by Martin Pasko, Curt Swan and Frank Chiaramonte in SUPERMAN #324...A cover by Jim Starlin leads off KAMANDI #57 as Jack C. Harris, Dick Ayers and Danny Bulanadi present "Behold: Evermore"... Central City's new super-hero, the Ringmaster, has not only taken over the Flash's career, but his wife too as the Golden Glider's latest scheme to humiliate the Flash continues in FLASH #262 by Cary Bates and Irv Novick...Dick Giordano inks a Joe Orlando cover on SECRETS OF HAUNTED HOUSE #12. This issue also features a Steve Ditko story written by Robert Ingersoll.

It's the final showdown between Claw and King Occulas of the Yellow Eye as David Michelinie scripts the second issue of his revived creation in CLAW THE UNCONQUERED #11. Art by Keith Giffen and John Celardo, cover by Joe Kubert...Aquaman battles Seaquake in a story by Paul Kupperberg, Don Newton and Bob McLeod in AQUAMAN #62... Conway, Newton and Adkins begin the conclusion of the War of the Gods in NEW GODS #18.

Howie Chaykin pencils "The Man Who Shackled the Legion" in SUPERBOY AND THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES #240. Paul Levitz plots, Jack C. Harris scripts, Bob Wiacek inks. Also, the origin of Dawnstar plotted and scripted by Paul Levitz and Paul Kupperberg, with art by James Sherman and Bob McLeod...Swamp Thing, Deadman, and Rip Hunter, Time Master guest-star in CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN #87 scripted by Gerry and Carla Conway, illustrated by Giffen and Celardo...Denny O'Neil provides the script, Alex Saviuk the pencils for "Thunder Doom" featuring the return of one of Green Lantern's most awesome foes, Sonar, in GREEN LANTERN/GREEN ARROW #105...The Wizard travels to Earth-2 to battle Dr. Mid-Nite and the Atom with the aid of Plantmaster and Professor Zoom in a Bob Rozakis/Mike Vosburg story for SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER-VILLAINS #15...The Super Friends meet two Golden Age DC heroes, TNT and Dan the Dyna-Mite in "The Atomic Twosome" by E. Nelson Bridwell, Ramona Fradon and Bob Smith in SUPER FRIENDS #12.

STAR HUNTERS #5 features a tense outer space thriller as the Star Hunters attempt to knock out the Corporation's asteroid communications center. But the fate of their mission depends on Darcy's discovery that she has been manipulated and deceived by the Corporation in this story by Star Hunters creator David Michelinie,

with a plot assist from inker Bob Layton and layouts by Rich Buckler...STEEL comes to grips with Sledgehammer, the head of the Underworld in the 1940s adventure, "When Strikes the Hammer" by Gerry Conway and Don Heck. Also: an adventure starring Hank Heywood by Conway and Juan Ortiz in STEEL, THE INDESTRUCTIBLE MAN #3.

Two final important issues round out the month as ACTION COMICS celebrates its 40th anniversary with an extra-length 22-page story as "Superman Takes A Wife" and Wonder Woman begins a new series of adventure set in the 1970s. No, we're not kidding as the original Man from Krypton himself marries Lois Lane in a memorable tale by Cary Bates and Curt Swan in ACTION COMICS #484...And Wonder Woman's first battle when she returns from the 1940s to 1978 is against "The Terrorist Doom," story by Jack C. Harris, art by Jose Delbo and Joe Giella in WONDER WOMAN #244.

Shipping Information

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF February 7th FOR RELEASE THE WEEK OF March 2nd:
Jonah Hex #13 / Mister Miracle #24 / Justice League of America #155

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF February 14th FOR RELEASE THE WEEK OF March 7th:
Batman #300 / Shade the Changing Man #7 / Firestorm #3 / Superman #324 /Kamandi #57 / The Flash #262 / Secrets of Haunted House #12 / Weird War Tales #64

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF February 21st FOR RELEASE THE WEEK OF March 14th:
Batman Family #18 / G.I. Combat #208 / Showcase #101 / Claw the Unconquered #11 / Aquaman #62 / New Gods #18 / House of Secrets #152

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF February 28th FOR RELEASE THE WEEK OF March 21st:
World's Finest #251 / Superboy and the Legion of Superheroes #240 / Challengers of the Unknown #87 / Green Lantern #105 / Secret Society of Super-Villains #15 / Super Friends #12 / Sgt. Rock #317 / Ghosts #65

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF March 7th FOR RELEASE THE WEEK OF March 28
Unknown Soldier #216 / Witching Hour #81 / Warlord #13 / Secrets of Haunted House Special / Star Hunters #5 / Steel, the Indestructible Man / Action Comics #484 / Wonder Woman #244